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NEW HIRE CARDS CONTINUE TO CATCH OVERPAYMENTS

Tennessee employers who participated in the New Hire Report Program reduced the overpayment of unemployment insurance benefits by more than $417,000 in 1986.

Employers returned almost 88,000 New Hire cards to the Department of Employment Security last year. The action stopped payment of benefits on 37,284 unemployment insurance claims and prevented potential overpayment on 2,257 claims.

Employers participating in the New Hire Report Program send to the local unemployment insurance office a New Hire card for each person who is newly hired, is rehired, or refuses an offer of employment. When cards are received, the names are crossmatched against a file of claimants who are receiving benefits. This crossmatch helps identify claimants who, because of employment or refusal of employment, may no longer be eligible for benefits, thereby preventing benefit overpayments before they occur.

The results of this program have been very promising. Since its implementation in late 1980, the department has saved almost $3 million in possible unemployment insurance benefit overpayments. Tennessee was the first state to develop this kind of program.

The New Hire Report Program has also attracted the interest of the Tennessee Department of Human Services and the Social Security Administration. Human Services has found the information provided on these cards useful in verifying information about clients in the AFDC, Food Stamp, Medical Assistance, and Child Support programs. The Social Security Administration is exploring the possibility of using the cards in its assistance programs.

USE YOUR LOCAL LABOR MARKET ANALYST

Twelve Labor Market Information (LMI) analysts are located in various cities throughout Tennessee. These analysts are responsible for compiling and analyzing employment data and producing labor force estimates and unemployment rates by county. They keep track of plant openings and closings, employee strikes, and major layoffs.

LMI analysts also aid employers in preparing affirmative action plans by providing information on the composition of the labor force. Planning information is provided to Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) planners and Private Industry Councils (PICs). Analysts are often contacted by radio, television, and newspaper reporters and asked to explain the local employment trends.

Field analysts are actively involved in local industrial recruiting efforts. They work with county executives, industrial recruiters, and chambers of commerce to prepare packets of information on the area for prospective employers. Often the analyst is asked to meet with a prospective employer to answer questions on occupational supply and demand, employment and unemployment trends, and other economic data.

The LMI analysts are available to make presentations on local and statewide employment trends and the use of labor market data. A short video (approximately 12 minutes) that explains how labor market information is collected and used is available through your field analyst.

Whenever you have a request for data, please call your local field analyst. The following is an updated list of analysts and their respective counties:

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ANNUAL AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT IN BUSINESS SERVICES TENNESSEE 1981-1985

Industry Title	SIC Code	Annual Average Employment 1981	1985	Percent Change
Advertising.....	731	2,490	2,610	4.8
Consumer Credit Reporting Agencies, Mercantile Reporting Agencies, & Adjustment & Collection Agencies...	732	1,380	1,490	8.0
Mailing, Reproduction, Commercial Art & Photography, & Stenographic Services	733	930	1,650	77.4
Services to Dwellings & Other Buildings	734	9,310	13,000	39.6
News Syndicates.....	735	100	140	40.0
Personnel Supply Services.....	736	6,780	14,480	113.6
Computer & Data Processing Services..	737	3,660	5,190	41.8
Miscellaneous Business Services.....	739	20,620	31,740	53.9
*Total Business Services.....	73	45,250	70,300	55.4

Sources: Employment Wages and Contributions Report (ES-202)

*May not add due to rounding

Annual average employment in the business services industry increased by 55.4 percent from 1981 to 1985. Business services includes establishments primarily engaged in rendering services to businesses on a fee or contract basis.

The personnel supply industry, which includes establishments that provide an employment service or temporary help, is the fastest growing business service. Employment in this industry increased by 113.6 percent from 1981 to 1985.

NEW PUBLICATION BY RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

Tennessee Data for Affirmative Action Plans 1987 Supplement

The purpose of this publication is to provide current information for employers to prepare affirmative action plans. The publication contains 1986 annual average labor force information for the state, metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), and counties. Information regarding population, occupation of the employed, and a glossary of terms is in the publication Tennessee Data for Affirmative Action Plans 1984.

COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

COUNTY	MARCH 1987	1986	COUNTY	MARCH 1987	1986
ANDERSON	7.2	7.2	LAUDERDALE	8.7	11.7
BEDFORD	8.2	11.1	LAWRENCE	11.8	13.7
BENTON	13.4	19.3	LEWIS	15.3	13.8
BLEDSOE	6.9	6.7	LINCOLN	6.3	14.3
BLOUNT	7.9	8.7	LOUDON	9.8	10.9
BRADLEY	7.4	8.7	MACON	8.6	15.9
CAMPBELL	16.6	15.4	MADISON	9.9	9.6
CANNON	9.4	10.0	MARION	13.3	15.5
CARROLL	12.6	19.0	MARSHALL	5.6	11.3
CARTER	10.8	10.6	MAURY	8.8	10.8
CHEATHAM	4.5	6.5	MCMINN	8.9	10.9
CHESTER	7.7	7.8	MCNAIRY	13.7	16.9
CLAIBORNE	9.4	10.1	MEIGS	11.1	13.7
CLAY	4.8	5.9	MONROE	9.8	11.2
COCKE	20.0	23.9	MONTGOMERY	6.8	9.0
COFFEE	7.5	8.9	MOORE	7.3	8.7
CROCKETT	16.3	18.2	MORGAN	12.2	13.8
CUMBERLAND	10.0	12.7	OBION	8.4	8.9
DAVIDSON	4.3	4.4	OVERTON	13.5	15.8
DECATUR	14.0	22.2	PERRY	14.7	9.6
DEKALB	8.5	9.9	PICKETT	25.0	13.4
DICKSON	7.0	8.5	POLK	12.5	14.0
DYER	10.5	11.8	PUTNAM	8.3	9.5
FAYETTE	7.5	8.8	RHEA	10.5	11.3
FENTRESS	13.5	16.3	ROANE	7.4	8.2
FRANKLIN	7.0	9.4	ROBERTSON	6.8	9.0
GIBSON	12.6	13.1	RUTHERFORD	5.0	4.3
GILES	10.3	15.2	SCOTT	19.0	21.8
GRAINGER	10.2	13.3	SEQUATCHIE	10.1	11.2
GREENE	12.3	13.2	SEVIER	21.1	23.0
GRUNDY	13.4	13.3	SHELBY	5.8	6.7
HAMBLEN	9.4	10.5	SMITH	6.8	8.2
HAMILTON	6.0	7.6	STEWART	6.0	9.9
HANCOCK	8.9	8.4	SULLIVAN	7.1	7.5
HARDEMAN	10.0	9.3	SUMNER	6.0	6.9
HARDIN	12.0	14.1	TIPTON	9.4	9.5
HAWKINS	8.2	9.0	TROUSDALE	5.6	7.3
HAYWOOD	15.5	13.5	UNICOI	12.0	13.3
HENDERSON	11.1	14.8	UNION	9.4	9.3
HENRY	15.1	14.6	VAN BUREN	10.6	12.6
HICKMAN	11.3	8.5	WARREN	10.5	13.4
HOUSTON	13.2	13.1	WASHINGTON	7.4	8.7
HUMPHREYS	23.0	12.9	WAYNE	11.5	13.2
JACKSON	9.0	10.1	WEAKLEY	5.3	9.0
JEFFERSON	10.2	14.1	WHITE	10.0	10.2
JOHNSON	8.8	17.2	WILLIAMSON	3.3	3.0
KNOX	5.9	6.0	WILSON	5.9	6.0
LAKE	10.6	15.0			

TENNESSEE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	March 1986				Revised February 1987				Preliminary March 1987			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate
U. S. 1/	116,309,000	107,643,000	8,667,000	7.5	117,967,000	109,464,000	8,503,000	7.2	118,353,000	110,229,000	8,124,000	6.9
TENNESSEE 2/	2,226,600	2,070,600	196,000	8.6	2,308,100	2,120,400	187,700	8.1	2,313,500	2,137,400	176,000	7.6
MSAs												
CHATTANOOGA	198,700	183,500	15,200	7.6	201,900	188,300	13,600	6.7	202,600	189,700	12,900	6.4
JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT, AND BRISTOL	208,000	190,700	17,300	8.3	209,800	193,300	16,500	7.9	212,000	195,300	16,700	7.9
KNOXVILLE	271,700	248,000	23,700	8.7	275,300	251,800	23,500	8.5	276,000	253,700	22,300	8.1
MEMPHIS	422,400	392,200	30,400	7.2	435,100	406,700	28,400	6.5	434,600	407,700	26,900	6.2
NASHVILLE	495,600	470,700	24,900	5.0	508,500	482,600	25,900	5.1	508,000	483,700	24,300	4.8

1/ Error range for these estimates is plus or minus 0.2 percentage points.
2/ Error range for these estimates cannot be computed.

LOWEST MARCH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE SINCE 1980

The March preliminary unemployment rate was 7.6 percent, a one-half percentage point decrease from the previous month and one percent lower than the 8.6 percent rate for the corresponding month last year. This was the second consecutive month the unemployment rate dropped. It was also the lowest unemployment rate Tennessee has experienced in the month of March since 1980, when the unemployment rate was 6.5 percent.

During March the labor force grew to 2,313,500, an increase of 46,900 over the corresponding month last year. Over the same time period the number of Tennesseans employed grew by 66,800, increasing employment to 2,137,400; unemployment decreased by 19,900.

Major employment increases from March 1986 to March 1987 occurred in the services industry where 28,900 jobs were added with health services, including hospitals, accounting for 9,700 of that total and in the trade industry where 23,700 jobs were created.

Record levels of employment occurred in transportation equipment (34,100), rubber products (25,100), wholesale trade (125,200), insurance carriers (23,100), and services (402,700).

The decline in unemployment was widespread across the state with 76 counties showing a decrease, 18 counties reporting an increase, and one county remaining the same.

Williamson County, at 3.3 percent, once again had the lowest jobless rate in the state. Pickett County had the highest jobless rate at 25.0 percent, up from 23.2 percent, followed by Humphreys County at 23.0 percent, up from 22.2 percent, and Sevier County at 21.1 percent, down from 24.3 percent.

STATEWIDE

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands) *

INDUSTRY	MARCH 1986	FEBRUARY 1987	MARCH 1987	Net Change MAR. 1986 to MAR. 1987	Net Change FEB. 1987 to MAR. 1987
TOTAL	1894.7	1965.2	1977.6	82.9	12.4
Manufacturing	488.6	492.5	493.2	4.6	0.7
Durable Goods	238.0	240.9	241.0	3.0	0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	17.9	19.2	19.5	1.6	0.3
Furniture & Fixtures	24.4	26.5	26.5	2.1	0.0
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	14.5	14.0	14.2	-0.3	0.2
Primary Metal Industries	16.6	16.5	16.5	-0.1	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	39.0	39.7	39.7	0.7	0.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	37.9	37.1	36.7	-1.2	-0.4
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	35.6	34.6	34.0	-1.6	-0.6
Transportation Equipment	32.3	33.8	34.1	1.8	0.3
Instruments & Related Products	9.5	9.3	9.4	-0.1	0.1
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	10.4	10.2	10.4	0.0	0.2
Nondurable Goods	250.6	251.6	252.2	1.6	0.6
Food & Kindred Products	37.2	38.3	38.6	1.4	0.3
Meat Products	7.7	7.7	7.6	-0.1	-0.1
Dairy Products	3.0	3.0	3.1	0.1	0.1
Tobacco Manufactures	1.8	1.8	1.6	-0.2	-0.2
Textile Mill Products	22.7	23.7	23.8	1.1	0.1
Knitting Mills	11.5	11.7	11.8	0.3	0.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	2.7	3.0	3.0	0.3	0.0
Apparel Products	64.5	63.9	63.8	-0.7	-0.1
Paper & Allied Products	18.1	17.9	18.4	0.3	0.5
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Indus.	32.4	31.9	32.0	-0.4	0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	38.4	38.6	38.4	0.0	-0.2
Petroleum Refining & Related Indus.	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.0
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics	24.1	25.1	25.1	1.0	0.0
Leather & Leather Products	10.5	9.6	9.7	-0.8	0.1
Nonmanufacturing	1406.1	1472.7	1484.4	78.3	11.7
Mining	7.5	6.8	6.8	-0.7	0.0
Construction	85.5	92.1	92.5	7.0	0.4
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	94.8	97.2	97.5	2.7	0.3
Trade	437.0	456.0	460.7	23.7	4.7
Wholesale Trade	118.0	124.3	125.2	7.2	0.9
Wholesale Durable Goods	67.0	69.9	70.2	3.2	0.3
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	51.0	54.4	55.0	4.0	0.6
Retail Trade	319.0	331.7	335.4	16.4	3.7
Building Materials & Garden Supp.	12.8	12.7	12.8	0.0	0.1
General Merchandise Stores	46.9	48.0	48.4	1.5	0.4
Food Stores	55.2	56.4	56.4	1.2	0.0
Automotive Dlrs. & Serv. Stations	38.5	39.4	39.2	0.7	-0.2
Apparel & Accessory Stores	17.8	17.4	17.5	-0.3	0.1
Furniture & Home Furnishings	12.7	12.6	12.9	0.2	0.3
Eating & Drinking Places	97.8	107.0	109.7	11.9	2.7
Miscellaneous Retail	37.4	38.2	38.5	1.1	0.3
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	92.1	93.5	93.4	1.3	-0.1
Banking	26.0	25.9	25.8	-0.2	-0.1
Insurance Carriers	22.5	23.0	23.1	0.6	0.1
Services	373.8	398.8	402.7	28.9	3.9
Hotels & Other Lodging	25.8	25.3	27.3	1.5	2.0
Personal Services	24.5	27.2	27.2	2.7	0.0
Business Services	75.4	76.1	76.5	1.1	0.4
Health Services	121.4	131.0	131.1	9.7	0.1
Hospitals	59.7	67.0	67.0	7.3	0.0
Government	315.3	328.3	330.8	15.5	2.5
Federal	62.4	65.7	65.8	3.4	0.1
State & Local	252.8	262.6	265.0	12.2	2.4
State	71.0	74.2	74.7	3.7	0.5
Local	181.9	188.4	190.3	8.4	1.9

*Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

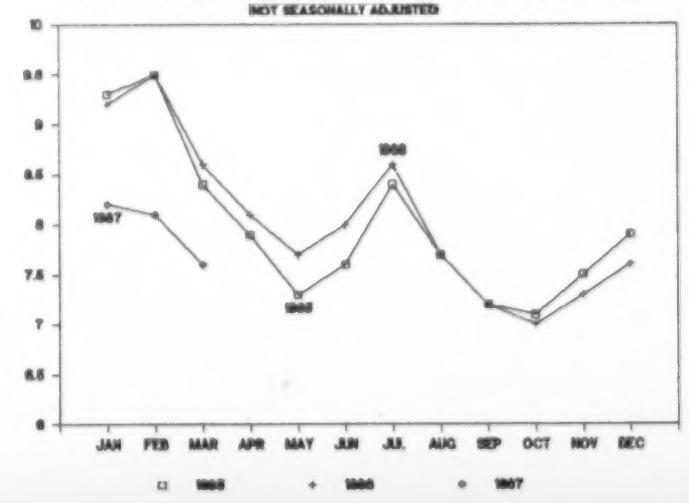
	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	161,518	78,855	36,394	19,467
Testing	11,066	6,977	2,531	1,404
Referred to Training	6,597	3,474	3,645	547
Nonagricultural Placement	53,297	24,581	14,024	8,415
Counseling	3,338	1,467	1,047	1,118

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Hours Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Hourly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	348.96	365.62	361.74	41.2	41.5	41.2	8.47	8.81	8.78
Durable Goods	375.53	395.64	389.58	42.1	42.0	41.8	8.92	9.42	9.32
Lumber & Wood Products	235.89	238.19	244.80	40.6	40.1	40.8	5.81	5.94	6.00
Furniture & Fixtures	279.89	339.48	303.36	39.2	41.4	39.5	7.14	8.20	7.68
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	507.07	544.15	542.45	45.6	47.4	47.5	11.12	11.48	11.42
Primary Metal Industries	475.87	477.36	483.11	43.3	43.2	43.8	10.99	11.05	11.03
Fabricated Metal Products	389.58	393.30	392.92	41.8	41.4	41.1	9.32	9.50	9.56
Machinery	371.49	383.24	387.11	43.5	42.3	42.4	8.54	9.06	9.13
Instruments & Related Prod.	340.57	343.26	319.55	40.4	39.5	38.5	8.43	8.69	8.30
Nondurable Goods	322.40	336.20	334.55	40.3	41.0	40.7	8.00	8.20	8.22
Food & Kindred Products	335.32	353.14	351.51	40.4	41.4	41.5	8.30	8.53	8.47
Textile Mill Products	260.90	288.77	278.88	40.2	43.1	42.0	6.49	6.70	6.64
Apparel Products	197.21	205.20	201.42	37.0	38.0	37.3	5.33	5.40	5.40
Paper & Allied Products	454.23	486.64	467.63	44.1	44.2	43.5	10.30	11.01	10.75
Chemical & Allied Prod.	436.97	443.06	459.61	40.2	41.1	41.0	10.87	10.78	11.21
Rubber & Misc. Plastics	400.61	423.64	415.25	42.8	43.9	43.3	9.36	9.65	9.59
Leather & Leather Products	234.80	235.30	238.32	40.0	38.7	38.5	5.87	6.08	6.19

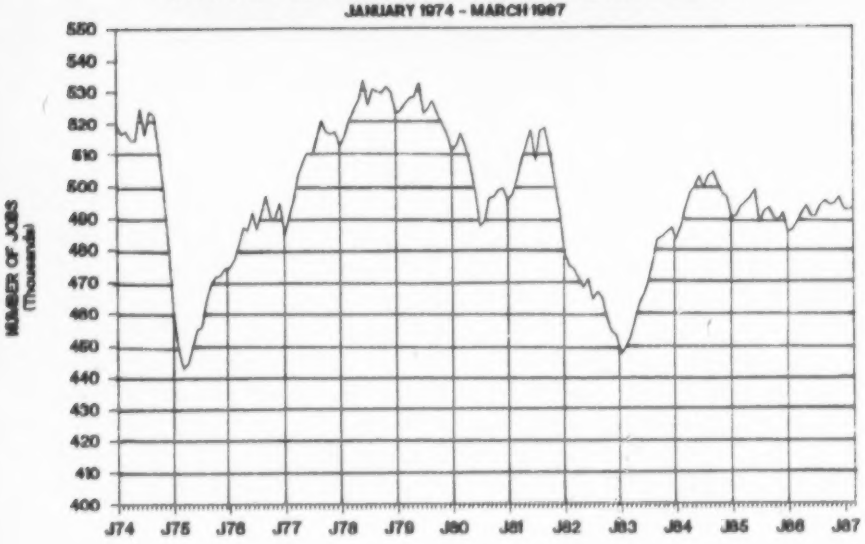
TENNESSEE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1985-1987

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



MANUFACTURING JOBS IN TENNESSEE

JANUARY 1974 - MARCH 1987



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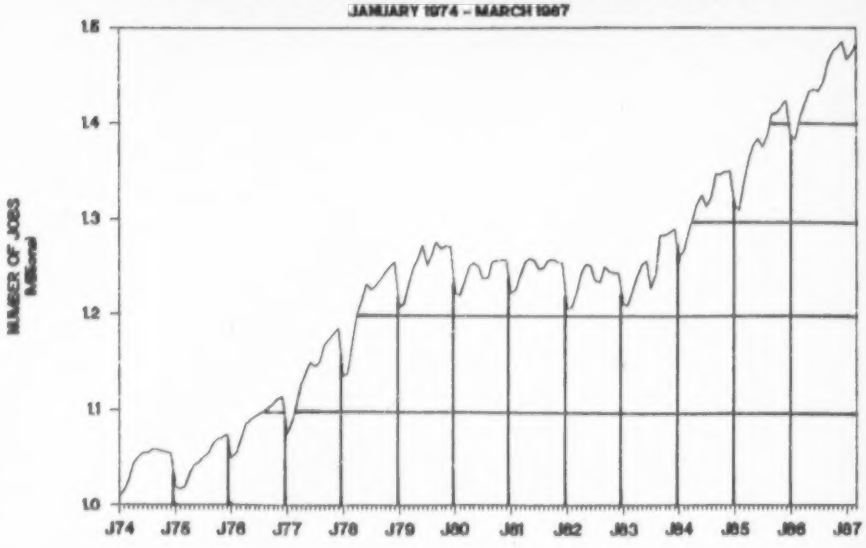
JANUARY 1974 - MARCH 1987



STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

STATE BENEFIT PROGRAM

CLAIMS	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987
Initial Claims	30,986	37,220	29,860
Continued Weeks Claimed	212,150	204,283	205,949
Nonmonetary Determination	2,973	2,769	2,972
Appeals Decisions	991	1,079	1,132
Lower Authority	812	913	926
Higher Authority	177	166	206
Hearings-Other States	2	0	0
BENEFITS			
Amount Paid	$17,481,369	$15,937,437	$17,802,308
Benefit Weeks Paid	193,850	181,223	186,553
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	$ 92	$ 93	$ 94
First Payments	11,113	13,669	11,488
Final Payments	3,955	3,367	4,313
Average Weeks Duration	12	12	12
Trust Fund Balance	$340,179,186	$406,205,466	$399,955,622

FEDERAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS

	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987
FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYEES:			
Benefits Paid	$842,496	$596,035	$570,430
Benefit Weeks Paid	5,438	3,458	3,442
Initial Claims	296	329	319
Continued Weeks Claimed	5,626	3,761	3,721
Appeals Decisions	12	10	23
FORMER MILITARY PERSONNEL:			
Benefits Paid	$199,497	$194,985	$207,256
Benefits Weeks Paid	1,636	1,520	1,618
Initial Claims	267	278	306
Continued Weeks Claimed	1,814	1,697	1,893
Appeals Decisions	9	7	8

CHATTANOOGA MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987	Net Change Mar. 1986 to Mar. 1987	Net Change Feb. 1987 to Mar. 1987
TOTAL	178.1	180.9	181.8	+3.7	+0.9
Manufacturing	44.0	43.7	43.7	-0.3	0.0
Durable Goods	17.7	16.6	16.7	-1.0	+0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	0.7	0.7	0.6	-0.1	-0.1
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.5	1.6	1.6	+0.1	0.0
Primary Metals Industries	4.1	3.7	3.7	-0.4	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	4.0	3.4	3.4	-0.6	0.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.5	2.0	2.1	-0.4	+0.1
All Other Durable Goods	4.9	5.2	5.3	+0.4	+0.1
Nondurable Goods	26.3	27.1	27.0	+0.7	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	6.1	7.0	7.0	+0.9	0.0
Textile Mill Products	11.1	11.0	10.9	-0.2	-0.1
Knitting Mills	2.5	2.6	2.6	+0.1	0.0
Apparel Products	1.4	1.2	1.2	-0.2	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	1.4	1.6	1.6	+0.2	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	1.9	2.0	2.0	+0.1	0.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	3.2	3.3	3.3	+0.1	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	1.2	1.0	1.0	-0.2	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	134.1	137.2	138.1	+4.0	+0.9
Mining	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.0
Construction	6.9	6.3	6.6	-0.3	+0.3
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	8.5	8.6	8.7	+0.2	+0.1
Trade	40.4	41.6	41.5	+1.1	-0.1
Wholesale Trade	10.2	11.0	10.9	+0.7	-0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	6.3	6.6	6.6	+0.3	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	3.9	4.4	4.3	+0.4	-0.1
Retail Trade	30.2	30.6	30.6	+0.4	0.0
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	10.7	11.8	11.8	+1.1	0.0
Services	34.9	34.9	35.3	+0.4	+0.4
Government	31.7	33.1	33.3	+1.6	+0.2
Federal	8.1	9.8	10.0	+1.9	+0.2
State & Local	23.6	23.3	23.4	-0.2	+0.1
State	5.6	5.8	5.7	+0.1	-0.1
Local	18.0	17.5	17.6	-0.4	+0.1

Includes Hamilton, Marion, and Sequatchie Counties in Tennessee and Catoosa, Dade, and Walker Counties in Georgia.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Chattanooga MSA unemployment rate decreased three-tenths of a percentage point to 6.4 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased 900 over the month and 3,700 over the year. Manufacturing employment remained at 43,700 for the month with no industry reporting a change greater than 100. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 900 over the month and 4,000 over the year. The largest increases in March were reported in services (+400) and construction (+300).

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

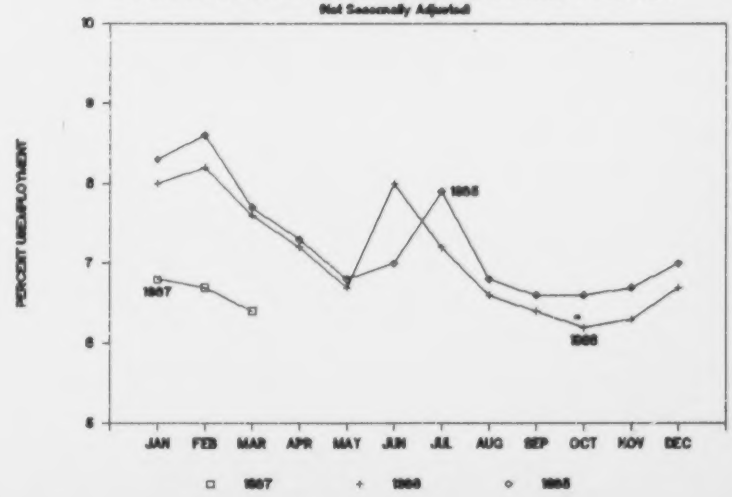
	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	10,114	4,627	2,516	1,448
Testing	1,169	875	274	95
Referred to Training	29	9	14	7
Nonagricultural Placement	2,613	1,133	1,065	433
Counseling	263	74	74	87

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Hours Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Hourly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	311.32	333.38	329.38	41.9	42.2	41.8	7.43	7.90	7.88
Durable Goods	364.76	366.20	364.88	44.0	41.1	41.7	8.29	8.91	8.75
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	382.45	412.04	356.17	45.1	43.1	40.2	8.48	9.56	8.86
Iron & Steel Foundries	381.44	413.50	419.06	43.1	44.8	45.5	8.85	9.23	9.21
Fabricated Metal Products	438.17	398.11	445.41	45.5	41.6	44.1	9.63	9.57	10.10
Machinery, Except Elect.	427.31	447.73	448.95	49.4	40.3	41.0	8.65	11.11	10.95
Nondurable Goods	275.81	312.87	307.97	40.5	42.8	41.9	6.81	7.31	7.35
Textile Mill Products	249.68	295.86	274.05	42.9	46.3	43.5	5.82	6.39	6.30
Knitting Mills	237.72	241.54	240.13	42.0	42.6	42.5	5.66	5.67	5.65
Paper & Allied Products	476.22	459.82	487.94	48.2	46.4	48.6	9.88	9.91	10.04
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	366.37	429.60	431.60	36.6	40.3	40.0	10.01	10.66	10.79

CHATTANOOGA MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Not Seasonally Adjusted



JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT AND BRISTOL MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)*

INDUSTRY	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987	Net Change Mar. 1986 to Mar. 1987	Net Change Feb. 1987 to Mar. 1987
TOTAL	151.7	153.4	154.9	+3.2	+1.5
Manufacturing	52.1	52.0	51.9	-0.2	-0.1
Durable Goods	20.2	20.1	20.1	-0.1	0.0
Lumber & Wood Products and Furniture & Fixtures	1.8	2.2	2.2	+0.4	0.0
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	2.7	2.2	2.3	-0.4	+0.1
Machinery and Trans. Equipment	9.6	9.7	9.7	+0.1	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	3.7	3.7	3.6	-0.1	-0.1
Nondurable Goods	31.9	31.9	31.8	-0.1	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	2.5	2.4	2.3	-0.2	-0.1
Textile Mill Products	2.4	2.6	2.6	+0.2	0.0
Apparel Products	4.7	4.9	5.0	+0.3	+0.1
Paper & Allied Products and Printing, Publishing, Allied Ind.	6.1	5.9	5.9	-0.2	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	16.2	16.1	16.0	-0.2	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	99.6	101.4	103.0	+3.4	+1.6
Mining	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Construction	4.8	4.8	4.9	+0.1	+0.1
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	6.1	6.3	6.3	+0.2	0.0
Trade	33.2	33.5	33.7	+0.5	+0.2
Wholesale Trade	6.6	6.4	6.4	-0.2	0.0
Retail Trade	26.6	27.1	27.4	+0.8	+0.3
Finance, Insurance,& Real Estate	4.8	4.8	4.8	0.0	0.0
Services	26.4	26.4	26.8	+0.4	+0.4
Government	24.1	25.5	26.4	+2.3	+0.9
Federal	4.2	4.1	4.1	-0.1	0.0
State & Local	19.8	21.4	22.3	+2.5	+0.9
State	5.2	5.2	5.4	+0.2	+0.2
Local	14.7	16.2	16.9	+2.2	+0.7

Includes Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Sullivan, and Hawkins Counties in Tennessee and Washington County, Scott County and Bristol City in Virginia.

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Number may not add due to rounding.

The Tri Cities MSA unemployment rate remained at 7.9 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,500 over the month and 3,200 over the year. Manufacturing employment decreased slightly over the month (-100) with no industry reporting a change greater than 100. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 1,600 over the month and 3,400 over the year. There were no monthly decreases reported in nonmanufacturing and the largest increases were reported in government (+900) and services (+400).

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

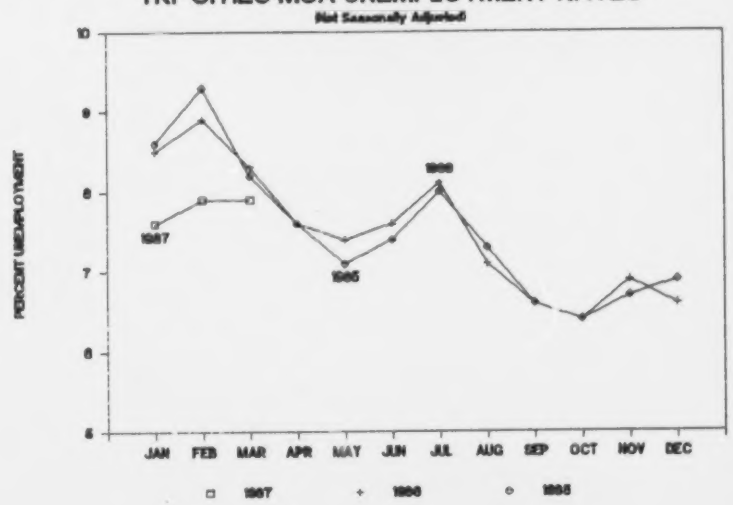
July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	11,985	5,799	404	1,450
Testing	1,738	880	99	302
Referred to Training	22	5	0	16
Nonagricultural Placement	3,434	1,465	235	585
Counseling	48	15	0	17

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	390.53	387.54	384.77	43.2	43.3	42.8	9.04	8.95	8.99
Durable Goods	373.50	357.86	349.80	45.0	44.4	44.0	8.30	8.06	7.95
Fabricated Metal Prod.	402.24	427.55	408.96	41.9	45.1	44.5	9.60	9.48	9.19
Machinery & Trans. Equip.	402.11	370.18	355.06	47.7	44.6	43.3	8.43	8.30	8.20
Nondurable Goods	402.36	408.64	407.27	42.0	42.7	41.9	9.58	9.57	9.72
Food & Kindred Products	342.34	321.55	315.17	41.8	39.6	39.2	8.19	8.12	8.04
Apparel Products	234.15	252.03	198.12	44.6	46.5	39.0	5.25	5.42	5.08

TRI-CITIES MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



KNOXVILLE MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)*

INDUSTRY	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987	Net Change Mar. 1986 to Mar. 1987	Net Change Feb. 1987 to Mar. 1987
TOTAL	235.5	236.4	238.1	+2.6	+1.7
Manufacturing	51.1	50.5	50.3	-0.8	-0.2
Durable Goods	29.4	28.8	28.8	-0.6	0.0
Lumber & Wood Products	1.6	2.0	2.0	+0.4	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	2.2	2.2	2.1	-0.1	-0.1
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.5	1.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.7	2.1	2.1	-0.6	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	21.4	21.1	21.2	-0.2	+0.1
Nondurable Goods	21.7	21.7	21.5	-0.2	-0.2
Food & Kindred Products	3.9	4.0	4.0	+0.1	0.0
Textile Mill Products	3.1	3.2	3.1	0.0	-0.1
Apparel Products	8.7	8.8	8.5	-0.2	-0.3
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	3.2	3.0	3.2	0.0	+0.2
Nonmanufacturing	184.4	185.9	187.8	+3.4	+1.9
Mining	1.9	1.8	1.8	-0.1	0.0
Construction	11.2	11.5	11.3	+0.1	-0.2
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	9.0	8.9	9.1	+0.1	+0.2
Trade	58.0	55.7	56.7	-1.3	+1.0
Wholesale Trade	14.4	14.3	14.3	-0.1	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	9.4	9.5	9.4	0.0	-0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	5.0	4.8	4.9	-0.1	+0.1
Retail Trade	43.6	41.4	42.4	-1.2	+1.0
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	8.8	8.4	8.4	-0.4	0.0
Services	47.6	48.5	49.3	+1.7	+0.8
Government	47.9	51.1	51.2	+3.3	+0.1
Federal	8.1	8.0	8.1	0.0	+0.1
State & Local	39.7	43.1	43.1	+3.4	0.0
State	18.6	20.2	20.1	+1.5	-0.1
Local	21.1	22.9	23.0	+1.9	+0.1

Includes Anderson, Blount, Grainger, Jefferson, Knox, Sevier, and Union Counties.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Knoxville MSA unemployment rate decreased by four-tenths of a percentage point to 8.1 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,700 over the month and 2,600 over the year. Manufacturing employment decreased by 200 over the month and 800 over the year. The largest monthly decrease was reported in apparel products (-300) due to temporary layoffs. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 1,900 over the month and 3,400 over the year. The largest monthly increases were reported in retail trade (+1,000) and services (+800) due to seasonal factors.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

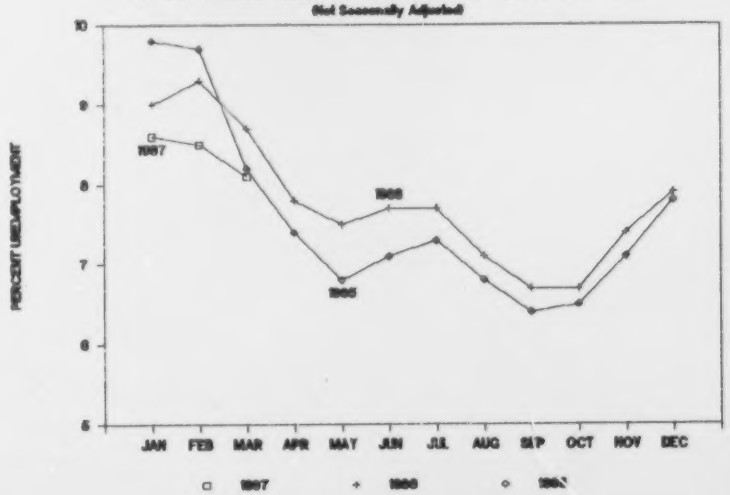
July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	16,701	7,712	1,653	2,714
Testing	1,086	732	158	97
Referred to Training	138	63	13	27
Nonagricultural Placement	5,724	2,551	837	1,077
Counseling	261	111	36	101

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	348.93	354.42	345.43	38.9	39.6	38.9	8.97	8.95	8.88
Durable Goods	408.33	406.12	392.96	39.0	38.9	38.3	10.47	10.44	10.26
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	363.12	378.42	408.60	40.8	43.1	43.7	8.90	8.78	9.35
Machinery, Except Elect.	382.53	370.87	340.87	41.0	41.3	38.3	9.33	8.98	8.90
Nondurable Goods	270.36	286.34	280.76	38.9	40.5	39.6	6.95	7.07	7.09
Food & Kindred Products	297.98	305.64	302.29	43.5	43.6	43.0	6.85	7.01	7.03
Textile Mill Products	224.22	256.61	242.43	39.2	43.2	41.3	5.72	5.94	5.87
Apparel Products	231.58	255.58	251.02	36.7	39.2	38.5	6.31	6.52	6.52

KNOXVILLE MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



MEMPHIS MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987	Net Change Mar. 1986 to Mar. 1987	Net Change Feb. 1987 to Mar. 1987
TOTAL	395.7	408.7	410.0	+14.3	+1.3
Manufacturing	51.4	51.3	51.8	+0.4	+0.5
Durable Goods	21.5	22.0	22.0	+0.5	0.0
Lumber & Wood Products	2.6	2.7	2.8	+0.2	+0.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	1.0	1.0	1.1	+0.1	+0.1
Furniture & Fixtures	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.0	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	4.8	5.0	4.8	0.0	-0.2
Machinery, Except Electrical	3.7	3.5	3.6	-0.1	+0.1
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	6.0	6.4	6.4	+0.4	0.0
Nondurable Goods	29.9	29.3	29.8	-0.1	+0.5
Food & Kindred Products	8.2	7.7	7.8	-0.4	+0.1
Bakery Products	1.3	1.3	1.4	+0.1	+0.1
Apparel Products	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.0	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	6.3	5.9	6.2	-0.1	+0.3
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	4.9	5.0	5.1	+0.2	+0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	6.5	6.7	6.8	+0.3	+0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	2.1	2.1	2.0	-0.1	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	344.3	357.4	358.2	+13.9	+0.8
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	18.0	18.7	19.0	+1.0	+0.3
Trans., Communication, & Util.	34.3	36.7	36.9	+2.6	+0.2
Trade	108.6	110.2	110.5	+1.9	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	35.5	36.7	36.8	+1.3	+0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	22.0	22.5	22.5	+0.5	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	13.5	14.2	14.3	+0.8	+0.1
Retail Trade	73.1	73.5	73.7	+0.6	+0.2
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	22.3	23.2	23.4	+1.1	+0.2
Services	90.6	97.2	97.4	+6.8	+0.2
Government	70.4	71.3	70.9	+0.5	-0.4
Federal	18.3	18.6	18.3	0.0	-0.3
State & Local	52.1	52.7	52.6	+0.5	-0.1
State	13.6	14.0	13.9	+0.3	-0.1
Local	38.5	38.7	38.7	+0.2	0.0

Includes Shelby and Tipton Counties in Tennessee and Crittendon County in Arkansas.

* Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Memphis MSA unemployment rate decreased three-tenths of a percentage point to 6.2 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,300 over the month and 14,300 over the year. Manufacturing employment increased by 500 over the month and 400 over the year. The largest monthly increase was reported in paper and allied products (+300) due to a seasonal recall. Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 800 over the month and 13,900 over the year. Government showed the only monthly decline (-400) and the largest increases were reported in construction (+300) and trade (+300).

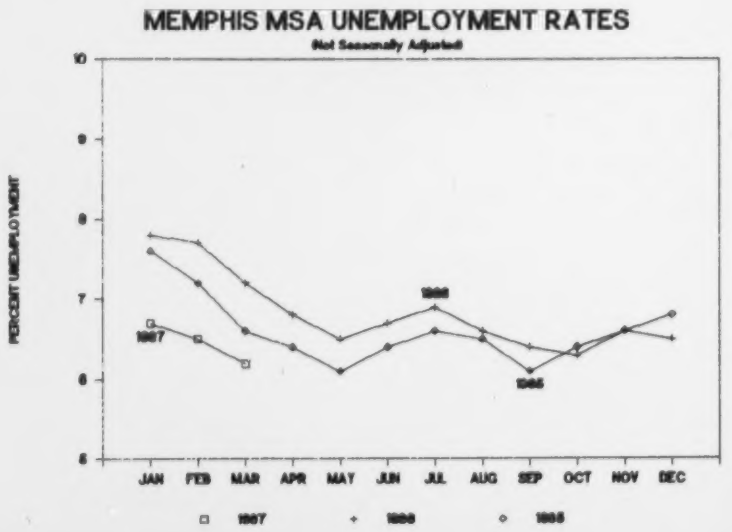
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	26,396	12,785	15,706	3,102
Testing	1,392	1,118	885	82
Referred to Training	632	227	537	41
Nonagricultural Placement	6,625	2,780	3,852	1,228
Counseling	825	543	577	167

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Earnings Mar. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1986	Average Weekly Hours Feb. 1987	Average Weekly Hours Mar. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1986	Average Hourly Earnings Feb. 1987	Average Hourly Earnings Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	381.93	369.82	368.52	43.9	41.6	41.5	8.70	8.89	8.88
Durable Goods	351.20	337.30	329.65	44.4	41.9	40.9	7.91	8.05	8.06
Lumber & Wood Products	211.82	235.00	226.87	40.5	43.6	41.4	5.23	5.39	5.48
Furniture & Fixtures	193.31	196.82	201.03	36.2	41.7	42.5	5.34	4.72	4.73
Nondurable Goods	407.96	399.37	403.74	43.4	41.3	42.1	9.40	9.67	9.59
Food & Kindred Products	402.90	333.64	358.22	42.1	38.0	40.8	9.57	8.78	8.78
Paper & Allied Products	509.08	506.75	481.66	52.0	48.4	46.9	9.79	10.47	10.27
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	474.10	500.64	505.66	40.8	42.0	42.6	11.62	11.92	11.87



NASHVILLE MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	March 1986	February 1987	March 1987	Net Change Mar. 1986 to Mar. 1987	Net Change Feb. 1987 to Mar. 1987
TOTAL	447.2	455.5	456.7	+9.5	+1.2
Manufacturing	89.5	88.6	88.4	-1.1	-0.2
Durable Goods	50.4	49.7	49.9	-0.5	+0.2
Lumber & Wood Products	2.2	2.1	2.1	-0.1	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	4.5	5.0	4.8	+0.3	-0.2
Fabricated Metal Products	7.9	7.3	7.6	-0.3	+0.3
Machinery	14.9	14.0	14.2	-0.7	+0.2
Transportation Equipment	13.7	14.2	14.1	+0.4	-0.1
All Other Durable Goods	7.2	7.1	7.1	-0.1	0.0
Nondurable Goods	39.1	38.9	38.5	-0.6	-0.4
Food & Kindred Products	7.2	7.2	7.2	0.0	0.0
Textile Mill Products	1.5	1.6	1.5	0.0	-0.1
Apparel Products	4.4	4.6	4.6	+0.2	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	12.7	12.8	12.7	0.0	-0.1
Petroleum and Rubber	4.4	4.7	4.7	+0.3	0.0
Leather & Leather Products	2.7	2.5	2.5	-0.2	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	6.2	5.5	5.3	-0.9	-0.2
Nonmanufacturing	357.7	366.9	368.3	+10.6	+1.4
Mining	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.0	+0.2
Construction	26.6	29.3	29.9	+3.3	+0.6
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	22.1	22.1	22.1	0.0	0.0
Trade	108.0	108.4	109.0	+1.0	+0.6
Wholesale Trade	28.0	27.4	27.7	-0.3	+0.3
Wholesale Durable Goods	17.2	17.2	17.3	+0.1	+0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	10.8	10.2	10.4	-0.4	+0.2
Retail Trade	80.1	81.0	81.3	+1.2	+0.3
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	30.3	30.3	30.0	-0.3	-0.3
Services & Miscellaneous	104.9	109.3	109.1	+4.2	-0.2
Government	64.9	66.8	67.3	+2.4	+0.5
Federal	9.4	9.5	9.5	+0.1	0.0
State & Local	55.5	57.3	57.8	+2.3	+0.5
State	23.4	23.8	23.9	+0.5	+0.1
Local	32.1	33.5	33.9	+1.8	+0.4

Includes Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson Counties.

*Data include all full- and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Number may not add due to rounding.

The Nashville MSA unemployment rate decreased by three-tenths of a percentage point to 4.8 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,200 over the month and 9,500 over the year. Manufacturing employment decreased slightly over the month (-200) with the largest decreases reported in furniture and fixtures (-200) due to a layoff and all other nondurable goods (-200). Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 1,400 over the month and 10,600 over the year. The largest increases in March were reported in construction (+600), trade (+600), and government (+500) due to seasonal factors.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986, Through March 31, 1987

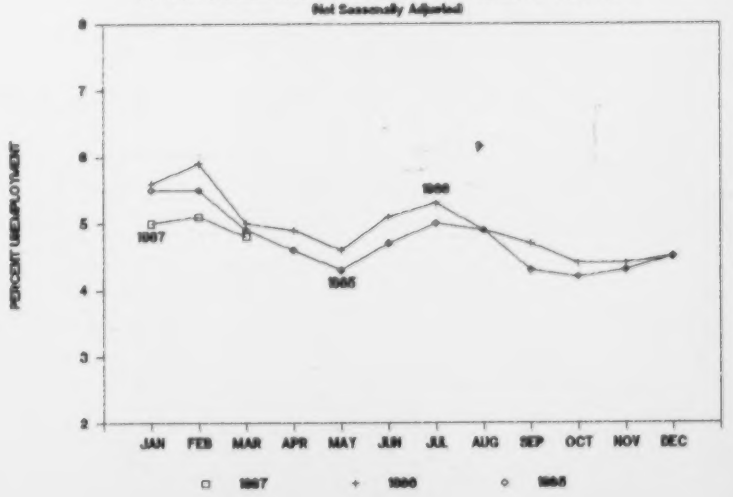
	TOTAL	FEMALE	MINORITY	VETERAN
New Applications	23,540	13,349	10,107	3,326
Testing	1,407	604	271	336
Referred to Training	1,673	985	968	166
Nonagricultural Placement	10,438	4,255	3,491	1,631
Counseling	599	221	140	192

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
All Manufacturing	363.38	402.35	408.84	39.2	40.6	40.6	9.27	9.91	10.07
Durable Goods	385.14	423.96	423.86	39.1	40.3	40.6	9.85	10.52	10.44
Nondurable Goods	328.20	366.87	385.29	39.4	40.9	40.6	8.33	8.97	9.49
Food & Kindred Products	348.65	408.94	399.40	40.4	41.9	40.1	8.63	9.76	9.96
Printing & Publishing	352.68	408.84	398.75	37.4	40.6	40.4	9.43	10.07	9.87

NASHVILLE MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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Group	All urban consumers			Wage earners & clerical workers			All urban consumers			Wage earners & clerical workers		
	UNITED STATES 1967=100	Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1987 from Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	UNITED STATES 1967=100	Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1987 from Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	MIAMI November 1977=100	Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1987 from Mar. 1986	Jan. 1987	MIAMI November 1977=100	Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1987 from Mar. 1986	Jan. 1987
All items	335.9	3.0	0.4	330.5	2.8	0.5	178.4	2.2	0.7	178.6	2.0	0.6
All items (1957-59=100)	390.7	-	-	384.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	321.6	4.5	0	321.2	4.4	0	172.4	5.0	1.4	178.6	5.1	0.9
Food	330.0	4.6	0	329.4	4.6	0	174.1	5.6	1.7	180.0	5.4	1.2
Food at home	315.8	4.8	- 0.3	313.8	4.7	- 0.3	165.9	3.7	0.7	168.8	3.3	0.4
Food away from home	370.9	4.3	0.4	374.3	4.4	0.3	189.9	8.8	2.6	206.2	9.6	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	243.6	2.0	0.2	246.5	2.1	0.1	149.4	- 0.9	- 1.3	154.1	- 1.2	- 2.7
Housing	366.4	2.6	0.4	358.8	2.5	0.4	178.2	0.3	- 0.1	178.7	0.3	- 0.1
Shelter	415.9	4.8	0.5	403.2	4.7	0.5	188.2	1.3	0	190.1	1.2	0.1
Renters costs 1/ 2/	126.4	5.7	0.5	113.3	5.5	0.5	109.7	1.5	0.5	105.7	1.2	0.5
Rent, residential	288.3	4.8	0.1	287.3	4.8	0.1	165.6	1.2	0.6	165.6	1.2	0.6
Apparel and upkeep	215.2	4.3	3.3	213.7	4.1	3.3	153.5	5.8	3.9	154.1	5.4	3.6
Transportation	310.6	0.3	0.2	310.8	0.2	0.3	180.9	- 0.7	0.8	179.0	- 1.4	1.0
Medical care	455.0	6.9	0.6	452.3	6.8	0.6	213.7	7.2	0.7	211.5	7.3	0.7
Entertainment	279.8	2.9	0.4	274.4	3.0	0.4	144.7	4.0	- 0.5	154.8	4.0	- 0.6
Other goods & services	360.3	5.6	0.2	355.1	5.4	0.1	204.8	5.2	0.1	194.6	4.8	0.2
Purchasing power of the Dollar: 1967=$1.00	$.298	- 2.9	- 0.3	$.303	- 2.6	- 0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
November 1977=$1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	$.561	- 2.1	- 0.5	$.560	- 1.9	- 0.5

Group size	All urban consumers (December 1977=100)			Wage earners and clerical workers (December 1977=100)		
	All items	Unadjusted percent change to March 1987 from -- March 1986	Feb. 1987	All items	Unadjusted percent change to March 1987 from -- March 1986	Feb. 1987
SOUTH	180.2	-	0.4	179.0	-	0.4
Less than 50,000 pop.	177.8	-	0.3	178.4	-	0.3
50,000-450,000 pop.	178.8	-	0.2	179.3	-	0.2
450,000-1,200,000 pop.	182.3	-	0.3	178.1	-	0.4
1,200,000 or more pop.	180.4	-	0.6	179.6	-	0.5

NOTE: Effective in 1987, the frequency of publication for the Atlanta indexes was changed from bimonthly to semiannual. Because they are based on smaller samples, local area indexes are subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error than national indexes. BLS strongly urges users to consider the use of national indexes in escalator agreements.

1/ United States base year is December 1982 for CPI-U; December 1984 for CPI-W.
2/ Miami base year is November 1982 for CPI-U; November 1984 for CPI-W.

OLD METHODOLOGY --	CPI-U	CPI-W ALL ITEMS
United States	336.3	330.9
Miami	178.4	179.0

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